

Three Lagos State Owned universities, which include Lagos State University (LASU), Ojo, Lagos State University of Education (LASUED), Oto/Ijanikin and Lagos State University of Science and Technology (LASUSTECH), Ikorodu, are now on an indefinite strike, as declared by the Academic Staff Union of Universities (ASUU) following the inaction of the State Government towards the 2025 Federal Government-ASUU Agreement.

The strike action was announced yesterday, September 16, at separate branch congresses of the union and takes effect immediately.

According to a joint statement signed by ASUU-LASU Coordinator, Dr Olusegun Babalola, the acting ASUU-LASUED Coordinator, Comrade Grace Olayemi; and ASUU-LASUSTECH Coordinator, Comrade Murisiku Onigemo, the strike is as a result of the lapse of the 14-day ultimatum issued to the Lagos State Government on August 31, 2026.

It revealed that a final warning was issued on September 10, which expired on September 13 without what was described as “satisfactory resolution or concrete plan from the Lagos State Government.”

The Union stated that its principal demand was the total adoption and implementation of the December 2025 ASUU-Federal Government agreement, which included the Consolidated Academic Tools Allowance (CATA) and critical welfare provisions for serving and retired academic staff, across all universities owned by the state.

The Union clarified that the state government failed to act, despite the successful implementation of the agreement by other states and repeated efforts by the Union to resolve the matter through dialogue.

The statement also revealed that the entire process from the submission of formal letters to university managements up to the strike action was supported by the Union’s national leadership, warning that the strike would only end the government fully implements the applicable provisions of the 2025 agreement.

“The union remains entirely committed to constructive dialogue and to the swift restoration of normal academic activities as soon as these outstanding issues are addressed,” it added.



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ASUU highlighted the effect of the strike on the academic calendar and the wider university community, appealing to students, parents, university managements and other stakeholders for their understanding, patience and support